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body. Clearly this is a bill that's being brought because we do care so deeply about our troops and the hardships that they are suffering when they're deployed and our interest in creating a benefit for them. I do have some questions about going to 100 percent, however, and maybe Senator Janssen might be able to help me with that, and my questions deal with how, if we...if we go to 100 percent, first of all, that doesn't mean any money will go with the bill. That would still be up to the Appropriations Committee.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Janssen, will you yield?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, certainly any A bill goes through the Appropriations Committee, yes.

SENATOR THOMPSON: But the level that is set is part of the overall budget of...this just authorizes to go to a higher level.

SENATOR JANSSEN: That's right.

SENATOR THOMPSON: I'm question...I have questions, and we've talked a little off the mike about how this benefit would fit with the federal benefits and what's available from the federal level.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Right.

SENATOR THOMPSON: And I'm looking at a printout from a benefit that's dated effective the 1st of October, 2004, from the federal level, and what it is, is 100 percent of tuition and authorized fees with tuition caps of \$250 per semester hour and \$167 per quarter hour. And this is for a federal benefit, but you have to work. You can't be drawing the other federal benefit of the monthly amount, which I believe you told me was \$268, prorated if you are a student, depending on how many...if you're part-time, full-time or therein. Is that correct?

SENATOR JANSSEN: It's \$288.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Two hundred and eighty-eight dollars that you